

Expanding Pro Bono Partnerships:  
Utilizing LSC's Resolution on Private Attorney Involvement and Action Plan

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Session Summary:

This workshop will discuss effective ways to expand pro bono services by developing partnerships with corporate law departments, law firms, and bar organizations to address specific legal needs of low-income clients. Practical tips will be provided for planning services, recruiting volunteers, training, and support. Panelists will discuss and provide examples of ways to address concerns of corporate attorneys and ensure high quality services for clients and rewarding opportunities for attorneys.

I. Support

- a. Malpractice coverage
- b. Training
- c. Manuals, reference materials
- d. Mentors, consultants
- e. Expenses- donated services, avoiding costs, reimbursement
- f. Thanks and recognition

II. Special Considerations and Tips for Working with Corporate Legal Departments

### III. Examples of Successful Partnerships of Pro Bono Programs, Corporate Law Departments & Other Organizations

- a. Best Buy Co., Inc. and Volunteer Lawyers Network, Minneapolis MN
- b. Lexis Nexis and Greater Dayton Volunteer Lawyers Project
- c. Intel Corporation, Snell & Wilmer and Children's Law Center, Phoenix, AZ

### IV. Resources to Help You Plan and Implement Pro Bono Partnerships

- a. Ways to Use LSC Resolution and Action Plan on Private Attorney Involvement
- b. ACCA
- c. ABA
- d. Pro Bono Institute